

## HUFFMAN MAKES FULL CONFESSION

Railway Postal Clerk Sentenced to Three and Half Years in Atlanta Prison.

### PART OF MONEY RETURNED

Inspectors Leave for His Home to Recover \$14,000 Hid There.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Lynchburg, Va., March 15.—The trial of George E. Huffman, of Rockingham county, the railway postal clerk, on the charge of stealing a registered package from the mails in transit from the Keystone, W. Va., National Bank to the Girard National Bank of Philadelphia, came to a dramatic end in the Federal Court here to-day, when counsel for the accused changed the plea to guilty. Huffman's confession came when his counsel ascertained that the postal inspectors had located much of the money. Huffman at first reiterated his innocence, but soon broke down and made a complete confession, telling how he hid the money in glass jars in sawdust at his home.

Upon a change of the plea of guilty Judge McDowell sentenced Huffman to three and a half years at hard labor at the Atlanta prison, stating that this would be increased if the money was not turned over to the government. Huffman then went to jail here, to remain until the money is restored. Shortly afterwards his wife delivered \$17,000 to the inspectors, which her husband had in a grip in her room at the hotel.

Huffman's downfall came through his sister, Miss Sallie Huffman, who three weeks ago carried \$2,000 in currency in her stockings to Norfolk, where she delivered it to her uncle. The inspectors learned of this, and soon they claimed they learned of other money being distributed. This information caused Huffman to confess.

The reluctance of the inspectors causes the belief that the government may proceed against members of Huffman's family who aided in hiding the money.

There is no doubt that the mother of Huffman, who was to be a witness for him, believed thoroughly in his innocence, and the inspectors are certain that she had nothing to do with the distribution of the stolen money in the past three weeks.

All of the members of Huffman's family returned late this afternoon to Harrisonburg, though they cannot hope to reach home before Saturday morning. Mrs. E. P. Huffman, of Norfolk, aunt of the prisoner, when asked late to-day about the result of the case, admitted she was surprised at the result, as well as grieved, but she would make no further statement for publication.

Three inspectors, armed with an order from Huffman, left to-night for his home to recover money he hid there. Huffman claims this will amount to \$14,000. The inspectors expect to reach there at daybreak.

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ARRESTED FOR CONSPIRACY  
Charges Growing Out of Desecration of Scott's Mausoleum.  
Pittsburgh, Pa., March 15.—Harry N. Perkins, from a firm of local detectives, and James McKane, an employee, were arrested for conspiracy by officers from Philadelphia. Almost simultaneously Simon H. Hall, a relative of Perkins, was arrested. The arrests were made in connection with the

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desecration of the mausoleum of the late William E. Scott, Erie, Pa., in February, 1911. The men furnished bail for \$10,000 for a hearing at Erie.

At the same time warrants were issued for Gilbert Perkins, father of Harry, who was head of the detective business, and Charles Franklin, former manager of the bureau's Philadelphia branch. The two latter men were convicted of blackmail in connection with some Black Hand letters sent to Mrs. Charles Strong, of Erie, during the investigation of the scandalous case a year ago, and were taken to Leavenworth prison from this city last Tuesday.

The charges are said to have been the result of conspiracy to cause the desecration of the tomb, that the detective agency might be employed to unravel the alleged mystery.

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## DEBATE IS WON BY RANDOLPH-MACON

Unanimous Decision of Judges Against Emory and Henry College.

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Ashland, Va., March 15.—In the chapel at Randolph-Macon College to-night there was held a debate between representatives of Randolph-Macon and Emory and Henry colleges, and the unanimous decision of the judges favored the Ashland team. Great interest was manifested in this forensic contest, and the students of Randolph-Macon are rejoicing over the well-earned victory of its clever debaters. The officers for the evening were as follows: P. M. Wray, of Randolph-Macon, president; S. B. Vaughn, of Emory and Henry, first vice-president; and M. L. Walton, of Randolph-Macon, second vice-president. The judges were Speaker Richard Evelyn Byrd, of the Virginia House of Delegates; James H. Price, of Richmond; and James Wilson, of Emory and Henry College.

The Randolph-Macon men upheld the affirmative, while the negative was defended by the visiting collegians. R. D. McNeer, of Ashland, W. Va., and W. S. Long, of Culpeper, made the arguments for Randolph-Macon, and the Emory and Henry debaters were N. C. Smith, of Charlottesville, and J. H. Montgomery, of Charlottesville, Va.

The question debated was as follows:

"Resolved: That municipalities with a population of 10,000 or over, a tax on the rental value of land (exclusive of improvements and waiting question of constitutional validity), should be substituted for the general property tax."

### CHARTERS ISSUED

The Southern Corporation, Norfolk, Va. Marion Cobb, president; Greenleaf, N. C. R. R. Spindle, Jr., vice-president; J. E. Heath, secretary and treasurer, both of Norfolk. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$10,000. Object: Hotel business.

The Thirteen Corporation, Roanoke, Va. W. C. Stephenson, president; J. B. Richmond, vice-president; E. H. Spencer, secretary, all of Roanoke. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$2,500. Object: Stock and bond business.

J. M. Pentecost Corporation, Norfolk, Va. J. M. Pentecost, president; J. E. Heath, vice-president; Lolla E. Pentecost, secretary and treasurer—all of Norfolk. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$10,000. Object: Real estate business.

Corkcreek Convenience Corporation, Richmond, Va. J. H. Corkcreek, president; W. Lawrence, vice-president; J. L. Heston, secretary; Charles T. Tiller, secretary—all of Richmond. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$2,500. Object: Manufacture a patented corkcreek.

The Carle-Buchling Company (Inc.), Richmond, Va. W. E. Carle, president; Henry Holzgrefe, vice-president; J. G. Buchling, secretary and treasurer—all of Richmond. Capital: Maximum, \$50,000; minimum, \$10,000. Object: Plumbing business.

### Supreme Court Proceedings.

The following cases were argued yesterday in the Virginia Supreme Court: Jackson Coal and Coke Company and Edward & Royer vs. Phillips Line. Argued and submitted.

Carson vs. City of Richmond. Argued by W. P. DeSaussure for appellant and by Christian, Gordon & Christian for appellee, and submitted.

Next cases called: Smith et al. vs. Muller et al.; Lott vs. Lott; and Lott vs. Lott.

### Governor Appoints Delegates.

Governor Mann yesterday appointed the following delegates to attend the second meeting of the National Drainage Congress, which will be held at New Orleans on April 10: W. W. Old, Jr., Norfolk; R. T. Lamb, Norfolk; Robert F. Richmond, Richmond; G. M. Warren, Richmond; A. A. Wendell, Wallington; J. Frank East, Norfolk; Joseph W. York, Norfolk; W. R. Webb, Greenville; Dr. D. W. Starobin, Highland Springs; Judge Royland Green, Charlotte Courthouse; John A. Lester, Norfolk; A. C. Baum, Vinton; Horace W. Coleman, Norfolk; Frank Lind, Say, R. F. D. Portsmouth; H. H. Barnes, New Kent.

### Charged With Assault.

Paul Gardner was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging him with assaulting Edward H. Page.

### Gold Bracelet Found.

A gold bracelet found on the street by Patrolman C. M. Johnson is now being held at police headquarters for the owner.



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## DR. WILEY, PURE FOOD CHAMPION, LEAVES GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Friction With His Superiors Given as Cause of Resignation.

### WILSON DECLINES TO TALK

Action Comes as Dramatic Climax to Long Conference Between Officials.

Washington, March 15.—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley left the laboratories of the Bureau of Chemistry to-night, where for nearly twenty-nine years he had been chief chemist, no longer a government official, but determined to champion the cause of pure food from the ranks of the people.

Friction with his superiors and irreconcilable differences of opinion as to the enforcement of the pure food and drugs act were the reasons given by Dr. Wiley for handing his resignation to Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture.

Dr. Wiley's resignation came as a dramatic climax to a long conference



DR. HARVEY W. WILEY.

he had with Secretary Wilson in the latter's private office to-day. The secretary would make no statement of the case otherwise than that Dr. Wiley had handed in his resignation.

Dr. Wiley will devote the remainder of his life, according to a statement issued by him to-day, to the "promotion of the principles of civic righteousness and industrial integrity, which underlie the food and drugs act, in the hope that it may be administered in the interest of the people at large instead of that of a comparatively few mercenary manufacturers and dealers."

Despite the fact that rumors have been current for several weeks that the government's pure food expert was about to leave the service, the actual news of his resignation came as a big surprise to official Washington. To all resignation reports Dr. Wiley had made emphatic denial.

Many Flattering Offers.  
The latest report has been that Dr. Wiley would lay down the important work he had been doing for the Department of Agriculture to become associate editor of a housekeeping magazine. He had received many flattering offers from interests in other lines of business.

It is known that Dr. Wiley for a long time had been unhappy in his connection with the Department of Agriculture. He has claimed that he has been hampered in his administration by his office and harassed by the other officials. The recent Wiley-Wilson-McCabe controversy was but an outcropping of the friction that long had existed. A House committee which recently investigated affairs of the department, complimented Dr. Wiley in the highest terms and scored his "enemies" in the department.

He entered the service of the government as chief chemist in 1883, serving in that capacity continuously ever since.

Because of alleged technical irregularities in the employment of Dr. H. H. Tumbay, a New York consulting chemist, Dr. Wiley some time ago was recommended for dismissal by Secretary Wilson and Attorney-General Wickersham. President Taft set these recommendations aside.

One rumor recently was that Dr. Wiley would enter political life and might become a candidate for Vice President on the Democratic ticket. Dr. Wiley denied this with a laugh.

Dr. Wiley recently was quoted as saying: "I have for a long time been work-

heads of twenty or more universities and scientific institutions to recommend to me men from whom I can choose a successor."

### Butler-Jenkins.

Weldon, N. C., March 15.—Thurman Leo Butler and Miss Virginia A. Jenkins, both of Portsmouth, Va., were married here last night by Magistrate D. E. Stalback.

### Held on Serious Charge.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Bristol, Va., March 15.—Charged with having attacked the fifteen-year-old daughter of Alfred Richardson, a Bristol carpenter, Charles Eyster, who came here recently from Pennsylvania, was today held to court in a bond of \$1,000. The girl appeared as a witness.

### Jefferson Hotel Arrivals.

Walter Bromly, Providence, R. I.; C. F. Wolcott, Chicago; Mrs. A. J. West, Miss E. M. West, Port Huron, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eaton, New York; A. G. Weaver, Front Royal, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mahr, New York; V. L. Sexton, Graham, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Dittendorfer, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. C. W. Colt, Grand Rapids, Mich.; A. A. Lauer, Cincinnati; C. H. Black, Chattanooga, Tenn.; C. I. Johnson, Virginia; Quazo N. Kobayashi, Tokyo, Japan; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cony, Durham, N. C.; L. P. De Groot, Philadelphia; A. K. Barlow, Cleveland; H. P. Jones, Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Anderson, Watertown, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Pettijohn, Lynchburg, Va.; Walter M. Smith and wife, New York; H. T. Gardner, Syracuse, N. Y.; C. Fairfax, Gaines, Virginia; J. W. Hunter, Norfolk, Va.

## EDICTO

En el juicio de intestado a bienes del señor Ricardo Kerry, natural del Estado de Virginia, de los Estados Unidos de America, y vecino que fue de la congregación de Tierra Blanca, de este Canton, el Ciudadano Juez del conocimiento, Licenciado Luis R. Molina, ha dictado auto ordenando que se publiquen edictos convocando a las personas que se consideren con derecho a la herencia vacante, para que comparezcan a deducir ante este Juzgado, dentro del termino de treinta dias que se contaran desde la publicacion del ultimo edicto.

Y para su publicacion por tres veces de diez en diez dias en un periodico del Estado de Virginia, de los Estados Unidos de America, expido el presente en la Herencia Ciudad de Veracruz, a los nueve dias del mes de enero de mil novecientos doce.

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